

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: Carlson, K.C.

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

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Serial No.: 09/509,738 )

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For: "PROTEIN INVOLVED IN ABSCISIC ACID SIGNALLING" )

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

BLATT et al.

Dear Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment is filed in further response to the first Office Action having a mailing date of November 20, 2002. An Amendment and Response that was fully responsive to the November 20 Office Action was filed on February 20, 2003. Therefore, no fees are believed to be due in connection with this response. In the event that fees are due in connection with this response, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Please amend and reconsider the above-identified application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new Claims 66-72.

- 66. (Added) An isolated protein capable of affecting an ABA response and comprising an amino acid sequence having at least 50% homology to the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:4, or a biologically active fragment thereof.
- 67. (Added) An isolated protein capable of affecting an ABA response and comprising an amino acid sequence having at least 75% homology to the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:4, or a biologically active fragment thereof.

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